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1. During the 17 June 1953 uprisings, all convicts employed at the Ruegenhafen construction project were kept in their camps. The civilian workers who had appeared at work that day jointly laid down their tools at 10:00 A.M., after learning of the uprising from RIAS. At about 10:30 A.M., two KVP detachments of 50 men each began guarding both sides of the canal near Glowe. On 18 June, no work was done in the Ruegenhafen project area. The sentries at the convict camps were reinforced 50 percent by KVP men. No riots or unrest occurred. All laborers resumed work on 19 June.

2. On 26 June 1953, while going to Stralsund via Ruegendamm, source, near Grahlfhof, saw KVP men with two machine guns pointing in the direction of Ruegen Island, and on the Ruegendamm bridge near Daenholm Island noticed another machine gun pointing toward Stralsund. Source learned from a railroadman that the KVP-manned machine guns had been in readiness at these places since early in the morning on 17 June 1953.

Comment. The work resumed at the Rueggendam project are the security operations which had to be completed by 31 August 1953, after all work on the Rueggendam project had been halted. See [redacted]

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